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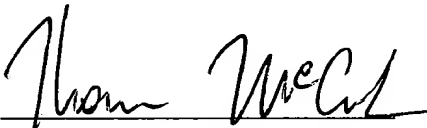
Sir:

Applicants submit herewith certified copies of the following priority documents in the above-referenced patent application: GB 9612629.7 (filed 17 June 1996); GB 9619002.0 (filed 11 September 1996); PCT GB97/01636 (filed 17 June 1997); and PCT GB97/02478

(filed 11 September 1997). All of the attached priority documents have been certified by the Patent Office (United Kingdom) and are original (ribboned) documents. Applicants hereby request the Office to make these priority documents of official record in USSN 09/216,641. In addition, applicants hereby reassert their priority claim to each of these submitted documents pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §365(c) and 35 U.S.C. §119. Acknowledgment of this priority entitlement in the next official action to issue in this case is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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